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GROUP 1700 PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

HAJIME YAMAMOTO, et al.

Application No.: 09/132,746

Filed: August 12, 1998

For: FIBROUS MATERIAL,
PRODUCTION PROCESS
OF FIBROUS MATERIAL,
INK-ABSORBING MEMBER,
INK TANK CONTAINER
AND INK CARTRIDGE

Examiner: J. Guarriello

Group Art Unit: 1771

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February 18, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 17, 2002 for one month from January 17, 2003 to February 18, 2003 (Monday, February 17, 2003 was Presidents Day).

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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